

United States District Court
Southern District of Ohio

**Related Case Memorandum
Criminal Cases**

TO: Chief Judge Marbley and Judge Sargus

FROM: Spencer D. Harris , Deputy Clerk

DATE: 12/19/2023

SUBJECT: Case Caption: USA v. Joel M. Mefford

CASE: Case Number: 2:23-CR-242

DISTRICT JUDGE: Chief Judge Marbley

File Date: 12/19/24

This memorandum is to notify you that the defendant information sheet on the above referenced case reflects the following alleged related case(s):

Related Case(s): _____

Case Caption: USA v. John Kotchkoski

Case Number: 2:22-CR-47 District Judge: Sargus

File Date: 3/23/22 Magistrate Judge: _____

Related Case(s): _____

Case Caption: USA v. Marco R. Merino

Case Number: 2-22-CR-14 District Judge: Sargus

File Date: 1/28/22 Magistrate Judge: _____

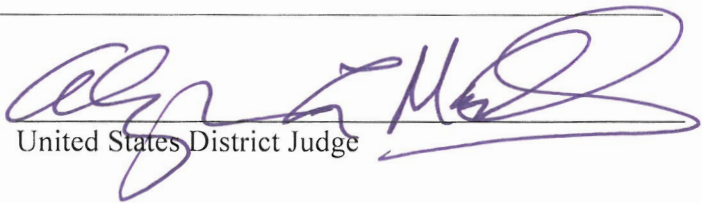
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The District Judges having conferred, we respond to Deputy Clerk
as follows:

Spencer D. Harris

Judges' Response:

- ☐ We agree that the cases are not related and that the subject case should remain with the Judge to whom it is assigned.
- ☒ We agree that the cases are related and that the subject case should be transferred to the docket of Judge Sargus
- ☐ We agree that although the cases are related, the subject case nevertheless should remain with the Judge to whom it was assigned.
- ☐ We are unable to agree and will accept any decision made by the Chief Judge.
- ☐ I am the Judge on both/all of the listed cases and have determined that the cases are not related.
- ☐ I am the Judge on both/all of the listed cases and have determined that the cases are related and they shall both/all remain on my docket.
- ☐ Other Direction of Judge: _____



United States District Judge

s/Edmund A. Sargus, Jr.

United States District Judge

United States District Judge

cc: Courtroom Deputies